Policy 7.01 Implementation Plan

Biennium Timeframe: July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2008

Kalispel Tribe and Spokane DCS

Plan Due Dates: April 2 (Regional Plan submitted to Assistant Secretary) and April 30 (Assistant Secretary Plan submitted to IPSS) of each even-numbered year. Progress Report Due Dates: April 2 (Regional Plan submitted to Assistant Secretary) and April 30 (Assistant Secretary Plan submitted to IPSS) of each odd-numbered year.

	Implementation Plan			Progress Report
(1) Goals/Objectives Provide opportunity for hearing in Kalispel Tribal Court on Charge-off of State Owed Child Support Arrearages for all Kalispel Tribal NCPs living anywhere in State of Washington.	(2) Activities DCS to provide Tribe with list of names and addresses of Kalispel Tribal Non-custodial Parents (NCPs) in DCS caseload, statewide, where NCP owes arrearages to State of Washington; Tribe to contact Kalispel Tribal NCPs and offer opportunity for NCPs to file and action, have a hearing and receive an Order from, Kalispel Tribal Court on charge-off of child support arrearages owed to State of Washington.	(3) Expected Outcome All Kalispel Tribal NCPs in DCS caseload statewide has reasonable opportunity for hearing and decision by Kalsipel Tribal Court on charge-off of some or all of child support arrearages owed to State of Washington.	(4) Lead Staff and Target Date Cathleen Kintner- Christie, Bob Russell and Karl Boettner; July 1, 2007	(5) Status Update for the Fiscal Year Starting Last July 1
Provide regular updates to Tribal members, through articles in the <u>Smoke Signal</u> regarding availability of child support services for members through Kalispel Tribal Court under the January 2003 DCS/Tribal Agreement on Child Support.	DCS to submit, every six months, a proposed article to the <u>Smoke Signal</u> , including statistical information on cases filed, amount of collections, etc., advising members of the availability of child support services through the Kalispel Tribal Court, and advising members about implementation of the January 2003 Agreement between the Tribe and the State of Washington for cooperative delivery of child support services to members.	Tribal members will be aware of child support services available to them at Kalispel Tribal Court. Tribal members will be kept up to date on the status of cooperation between the Tribe and DCS for the delivery of child support services to members.	Cathleen Kintner- Christie, Bob Russell and Karl Boettner; December 31, 2006; June 30, 2007; December 31, 2007 and June 30, 2008.	
Continue Implementation of 2003 DCS/Tribal Agreement on Child Support	DCS to continue to bring cases to Kalispel Tribal Court, as provided under the 2003 DCS/Tribal Agreement on Child Support. Tribe to continue to make available hearing time on the Kalispel Tribal Court Civil Docket to address cases brought by DCS, as well as cases brought by members in which DCS has an interest.	DCS and Tribal members has adequate opportunity to be heard on child support issues of concern to them, respectively, and to receive timely resolution of those issues by Kalispel Tribal Court.	Cathleen Kintner- Christie, Bob Russell and Karl Boettner; June 30, 2007; June 30, 2008.	

Provide Outreach Opportunities for DCS staff to become better known by members and for DCS to provide additional information on child support services available from DCS and at Kalispel Tribal Court.	Tribe to advise DCS Spokane of at least one appropriate Family Night Out each year at which a Support Enforcement Officer assigned to Kalispel Tribal members' cases could attend, meet members, answer questions and present information about child support services available from DCS and at Kalispel Tribal Court.	Members have the chance for face-to- face time with the Support Enforcement Officer handling their cases at DCS and to get to know her more personally. Members have the opportunity to ask questions about child support in person. DCS has the opportunity to provide information about child support services available to members at DCS and Tribal Court.	Cathleen Kintner- Christie, Bob Russell, Karl Boettner and Nicki Raczykowski; June 30, 2007; June 30, 2008.
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